



The University of Zurich

Thriving science in the heart of Europe

The University of Zurich (UZH) has earned worldwide renown as a top-ranked research university and is a global leader in innovative, research-based teaching.

The University of Zurich attracts the brightest minds and unites scholars from a variety of academic disciplines, thus offering them unique opportunities to build an international network. UZH is a member of the prestigious League of European Research Universities. From Auckland to Ann Arbor, from Beijing to Boston, from Stockholm to Singapore: UZH maintains partnerships in research, in teaching, and in student exchange programs with over 500 institutions in 100 countries. And in the faculties, interdisciplinarity is highly appreciated, fostering intellectual curiosity.

International, comprehensive university

UZH is Switzerland's most comprehensive and largest university – with some 25,500 students, including 5,200 PhD students. 56% of the professors, 42% of the PhD candidates, 40% of the teaching staff, and 19% of the students are from abroad. Scholarship thrives in Zurich's open-minded environment – and has a long history of doing so. Since its foundation in 1833, UZH has attracted research pioneers from all over the world. To date, 12 Nobel Prize laureates have taught and conducted research at UZH.

Ranked among the world's best

The outstanding research priority programs and centers of competence enhance the University's visibility and contribute to UZH's leading position among international research institutions.

In the 2017 Shanghai Rankings, UZH placed 58th in the world. In continental Europe, the University of Zurich is number one in the life sciences and ranked 4th in social science and 5th in medicine. In Economics and Business Administration, UZH is the top university in the German-speaking world.

Pioneer in the field of medicine

In the field of medicine, UZH works closely with its four excellent university hospitals to conduct cutting-edge research and offer an outstanding medical education to its students. Neurosciences, for instance, look back on a long tradition at UZH and are a major research focus. Other research priorities include infectious diseases and immunology, oncology and molecular, regenerative and precision medicine. UZH also promotes a series of clinical research priority programs that unite basic biomedical research, applied research and clinical care. Moreover, the close vicinity and the excellent partnership between UZH, the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology ETH Zurich and the university hospitals create unique opportunities to develop new therapies.

Leading European innovation

Switzerland has long maintained its first-place position in the Global Innovation Index. It not only boasts the world's highest rate of per-capita inventions, it is also where the most inventions are put to use in the real world. In the Thomson Reuters ranking of Europe's most innovative universities, UZH achieved an excellent 9th place ranking in 2017. Pioneering companies in areas such as biotech, medtech or ICT benefit from the wealth of knowledge delivered

by the university. And UZH researchers can rely on technology transfer specialist Unitectra regarding patent applications, license agreements or starting a spin-off.

Attractive total package for academics

The University enjoys a privileged location in the center of Zurich. Scholars, scientists and professors are all keen to come to UZH. And when they do, they generally stay for some time because they find an overall offering that suits their needs ideally. The internationally-focused faculties offer attractive environments, in terms of financing and staffing alike, with a strong emphasis placed on maintaining high standards of digitalization and freedom of research. Furthermore, UZH provides a wide range of sporting activities and facilities, childcare and support for dual career couples.

Zurich lies in the heart of Europe, where the German, French and Italian-speaking worlds meet. Its role as an international economic and financial hub as well as its reputation as a city of culture, scholarship, technology, and state-of-the-art medicine lends Zurich global significance. With over three million residents in the greater area, Zurich is one of the most innovative and flourishing economic regions in Europe. And last but not least: According to Mercer's annual quality of living survey, Zurich ranks second in the world.



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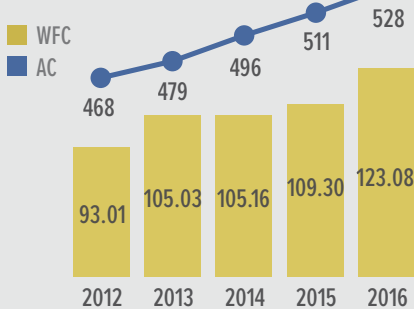
NATURE INDEX PROFILE

THE UNIVERSITY OF ZURICH

Ideally located in the heart of Europe, the University of Zurich excels in the life sciences.

The research output from the University of Zurich increases from year to year. As a member of the prestigious League of European Research Universities, the university collaborates with global leaders in Europe and the USA.

OUTPUT IN THE NATURE INDEX



SUBJECT AREAS



THE UNIVERSITY OF ZURICH IS STRONGEST IN LIFE SCIENCES

* based on WFC 2016

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WFC 2016: **123.08** AC 2016: **528**

THE UNIVERSITY OF ZURICH IS THE:



institution in life sciences in Switzerland

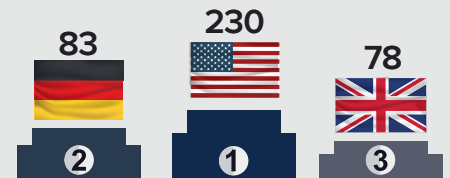
Based on WFC 2016

1162



Co-authored papers with 1162, collaborating institutions

Based on papers in 2016



The University of Zurich collaborates most with institutions / companies in these 3 countries

Based on 2016 number of collaborating institutions

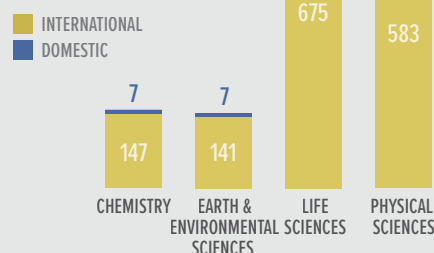
THE UNIVERSITY OF ZURICH WORKS WITH:



1. Harvard University [46.31]
2. National Institute for Nuclear Physics (INFN) [15.16]
3. Max Planck Society [14.56]
4. French National Centre for Scientific Research (CNRS) [14.46]
5. Helmholtz Association of German Research Centres [15.36]

Top 5 international collaborators by 2016 collaboration score

2016 INTERNATIONAL AND DOMESTIC COLLABORATING INSTITUTIONS BY SUBJECT AREA



Institutions may be counted in more than one subject area



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